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SUBJECT: MEKONG: PROPOSED ADB TA

REF: A) BANGKOK 4136

B) BANGKOK 3899

C) MANILA 2867

1. RE REF A PAR 1, TA PAPER EXPLAINS ( PAR 46) VALUE FOR OTHER, LARGER AREAS OF LEVEE SOIL IN OTHER MEKONG COUNTRIES. ASSUME THAT MEKONG COORDINATING COMMITTEE ( MCC) IN ITS COORDINATING/ OPERATIONAL ROLE DESCRIBED REF B PAR 1 HAS DECIDED EXPLICITLY OR IMPLICITLY THAT WORK ON LAOTIAN LEVEE SOILS SHOULD PROCEED PRIOR TO THAT IN THAILAND. THE PROPOSED PIONEER PROJECT WAS COORDINATED WITH MCC AND WITH IBRD AS EXECUTING AGENCY. ( TA PAPER PARS 1, 9, 10, 11, 22)

2. RE REF A PAR 2, PROPOSED STUDY IS TO LOOK INTO OPTIMUM HEIGHT/ LOCATION OF DIKES, CONSIDERING PROGRAMS/ POLICIES OF BOTH THAILAND AND LAOS.

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3. FRANKLY PUZZLED BY POINTS RAISED REF A. HAD ASSUMED SUCH MAJOR FACTORS AS UPSTREAM STORAGE, EFFECT OF DIKES ON WATER LEVELS, IDENTIFICATION OF PROJECTS TO SERVE AS PIONEER FOR SPECIFIC AREAS, ETC. WERE CONSIDERED BY MCC IN CHOICE AND PHASING THE PIONEER PROJECTS, AND THAT ADB NEED NOT DUPLICATE BY RECONSIDERING OR REVALUATING PROJECT'S PIONEER BENEFITS NOR ITS RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER MEKONG PROJECTS. IF MCC HAS NOT DONE, QUESTION BECOMES WHETHER BANK OR OTHER ORGANIZATION TO BE ASKED TO TAKE ON LARGER ROLE OF EVALUATING AND PHASING THE MEKONG PIONEER PROJECTS IN RELATION TO EACH OTHER. PRESENT ROLE IS THAT OF DELEGATED EXECUTING AGENCY FOR INDIVIDUAL PROJECTS ALREADY SELECTED.

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